

REMARKS

Claims 1-10, 17-27, 34-39, 44, 46, 48, 50, 51, 54, 55, 58, 59 and 85-96 were previously pending in the application. While Applicants disagree with the outstanding rejections, Applicants have cancelled some of the rejected Claims and amended other allowable Claims in the interest of expediting prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to pursue these Claims in one or more continuing application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner states that claims 5-9, 34, 50, 21-26, 54, 37-39, 59, 90-95 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Applicants have amended these claims to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The remaining Claims depend from the allowable Claims.

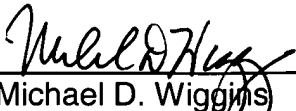
CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner

believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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